

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
WESTERN DIVISION**

**STANDING ORDER FOR RULE 56 MOTIONS**

Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allows the filing of a motion for summary judgment at anytime after the parties are at issue. In the Western Division, each party may file one motion for summary judgment as a matter of right. The motion for summary judgment must be filed in conformity with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and all local rules of the Northern District of Illinois.

No party shall file a second or successive motion for summary judgment, without the permission of either the Magistrate Judge or the District Court Judge, which permission shall only be given in extraordinary circumstances.

**E N T E R:**

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**PHILIP G. REINHARD, JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

**DATED:** \_\_\_\_\_

September 22, 2003